

SURNAME

DATE OF BIRTH

PLACE

BACKGROUND

EXHIBITIONS

CURRICULUM VITAE

Simon

Masilo

20 June 1936

Ficksburg

Simon was brought up in the Ficksburg area, where from an early age he showed talent in working with clay. Both his grandparents made a living from working with pottery. His first pieces were small clay animals so typical of the rural herdboys, though later he turned to pottery under the watchful eyes of his grandmothers. He moved to the urban environment in the early 1950's and operated a cafe-cum-fruit shop, which he left in the 70's after a long illness.

In 1982 he joined the Katlehong Art Centre where his highly polished pots quickly became his hall-mark. Although he is extremely accomplished in other aspects of pottery it is these pots which take up most of his working time.

In 1986 he assumed the position of teaching pottery and wheel throwing. His works have been sold throughout South Africa and abroad. Private collectors include Mrs Harry Oppenheimer and Kathleen Delaney, Deputy Director of United States Information Services. He has held a number of solo shows as well as participating in group shows and selling at Craft Markets.

Participated in Katlehong Art Centre group exhibitions :

1984 : March - University of Zululand

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Isandla, Constantia Centre,
Rosebank

Fuba Gallery

S.A.A.A. (N. TVL)

Carriage House Gallery

Hans Merenski Foundation
Helen De Leeuw, Hyde Park
Operation Hunger, American
Embassy

Art Alive, Waterkloof Preparatory

School, Bryanston
D.H. Williams Hall, Katlehong
Art Festival, Katlehong Art
Centre
Africa for Africa Exhibition,
Sandton Sun
Cultural Centre Exhibition,
Bophuthatswana
University of the North Sol
Plaatjie Exhibition
University of Wits, Thupelo
Project
National Gallery, Cape Town
Helen de Leeuw
Operation Hunger Art Fair,
German Ambassador's Garden
P.O.W. Market Gallery
Katlehong Vibes, Pretoria
Stuttaford Craft Exhibition
One Man Show, Fuba Gallery
Serendipity, Killarney Mall
Craft Exhibition, Sunnyside
Estee Louder Craft Exhibition
Swaziland
Madlozi
Thupelo Art Project
Grahamstown Art Festival
Designwise, Braamfontein
Decorative Ceramics, Cape Town
Carnegie Library, Germiston
University of Witwatersrand
S.A.A.A. Pretoria
Gallery International, Cape
Town
Helen de Leeuw, Hyde Park
Clay + Exhibition, Unisa
Clay Festival, Durbanville
Cultural Society
APSA Exhibition, Rau
Baxter Gallery
Sowetan Nation Building,
Zicelele Ihlombe Gallery
Crafts Fair,
Durban
Carnegie Library, Germiston
Sowetan Nation Building, Dev
Bank
Carnegie Library, Germiston

May - London Trafalgar Square House

1995 : Oct - Afro Arab Show, Nasrec
Oct - Caneigie Library, Germiston
Nov - Health Care Clinic, Germiston
1996 : Feb - American Embassy, Pretoria
May = UNCTAD IX Conference,
Gallegher Estate, Midrand
August- France International Show
1997 : March - Vita Craft Now, Pretoria

Private and Public collections Locally
and Abroad

COLLECTIONS